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Carol Jimenez says she's not angry at husband Mark

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Neda chief urges aid for country's battered export sector

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Jonas Burgos' abduction shows military divide–Joker

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RP five makes it to Asian Olympic qualifier

Sulu teacher surfaces to testify on cheating

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BALANCED NEWS, FEARLESS VIEWS

GMA starts state visits to N. Zealand, Australia

On 3rd try, voting in town successful

Armed cops serve as poll inspectors in Lanao del Sur

BUTIG, LANAO DEL Sur—Voting finally pushed through in this troubled town in Lanao del Sur—on the third attempt.



BEST FOOT FORWARD: A teacher tabulates the votes on the floor of the provincial capitol gymnasium in Marawi City following Saturday's special polls in Lanao del Sur.

GMA legitimacy up in special Lanao elections

ANALYSIS

ELEKSYON 2007

COMELEC | NAMFREL

Kiram places 2nd in Marawi; Legarda No. 1



'Dragon lady' maids feared in Malaysia

Kampi to challenge De Venecia for speakership

Padaca fears Malacañang meddling in Isabela polls



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WEATHER FORECAST

'Politics eating up party-list system'

Militants decry inroads by other sectors

By Jocelyn R. Uy

THE PARTY-LIST SYSTEM IS SLOWLY BEING swallowed up by the traditional political system, leaders of the militant Bayan Muna party-list group said.



OCAMPO

ELEKSYON 2007

COMELEC | NAMFREL



Buhay on top of party-list vote count

By Jocelyn R. Uy

La Union delivered

Administration bailiwick



Goodbye Lipo, Hello Ultrashape!



Dawn Zulueta-Lagdameo, 38



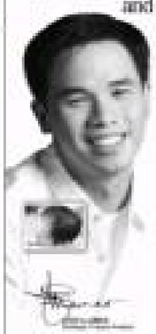
Lyn Ching-Pascual, 38



Cristina Gonzalez-Romualdez, 42



Soldier dies in clash with NPA in Quezon



Jonas' abduction highlights military divide–Joker







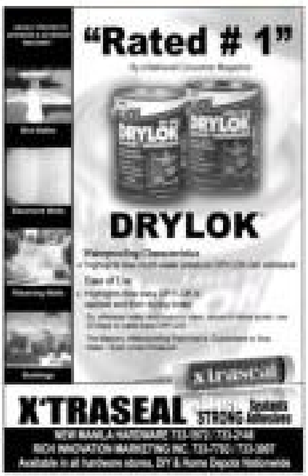


Keep same public works engineers, new solons urged

Corrections







Court upholds delayed promotion of top cop

By Leila B. Salaverria





The Daily Gospel

Global trends in English at Ateneo

THE DEPARTMENT of English of the Ateneo de Manila University in cooperation with The British [Council] and English-Speaking Union Philippines will host a lecture-discussion on "Global Trends in English Language Learning" from 2 to 5 p.m. on June 4.

The lecture will be conducted by David Graddol, a British applied linguist, writer, broadcaster, researcher and consultant on issues relating to global English.

His research on the development of English has resulted in the publication by the British Council of the two books "The Future of English?" (1997), which helped establish a new agenda and framework for understanding the international development of English, and "English Next" (2006), a follow-up analysis of global trends in English language learning.

The lecture will be held at the Ching Tan Room (SOM 111), John Gokongwei School of Management, Ateneo de Manila University in Loyola Heights, Quezon City.

Admission is free. For more information, please call Susan Lorenzo, tel. 426-6120 or 426-6001, loc. 5210 or 5211, or e-mail [illegible]



HAIL THE RED, WHITE, BLUE AND YELLOW
With a little over two weeks till Independence Day on June 12, Philippine flags of the sizes one can display on their vehicle have started making their appearance on the streets. Arsenio Bastos, 51, of Divisoria, Manila, hawks the colors at Philcoa in Quezon City. Bastos has been selling Philippine flags since 1995.

After losing tree, lensman guards acacia with his life

Violation

Cotabato tillers get UN rice

Boracay promotes Visayan products

Heart of tourism

Investments

STI and ABS-CBN: A Powerful Partnership for the Filipino Youth

Once again, STI and ABS-CBN has empowered the Filipino youth to participate in shaping the course of the nation through Halalan 2007.

STI and ABS-CBN, for the 4th time since the partnership was established during the 1998 National Elections, has again brought the largest and most comprehensive election coverage in the country.

The coverage was highlighted by the ABS-CBN and STI Media Centers, where over 14,000 student volunteers from STI were assigned in over 22,000 precincts nationwide to provide by-the-hour partial election returns from May 14 to May 15.

By providing another venue for the youth to be involved in nation-building, STI and ABS-CBN shall continue to encourage young and enlightened students in laying the groundwork for positive change in the country.



Student Volunteers in Action



A Salute to Our Young Heroes

The 14,000-strong student volunteers of STI displayed a keen sense of responsibility – taking on the arduous task of monitoring election returns last May 14 and into the early hours of May 15, spread in over 22,000 precincts nationwide.

Dismissing fatigue, the grueling summer heat, lack of sleep and forgoing a relaxing day at home on a national holiday, the STI student volunteers made a difference by choosing to be active participants in Halalan 2007.

The student volunteers admit to the difficulties they encountered going from one busy and crowded classroom to another to monitor partial election returns for more than 12 hours straight, but they are one in saying that their efforts were well worth it.

Being an STI student volunteer entails fulfilling a noble duty towards the country – and it is welcomed by the young volunteers as a chance to strengthen nationalism and demonstrate their commitment towards building better futures for generations to come.



DE VENECIA



VILLAFUENTE



PUNO



GARCIA

Kampi to challenge De Venecia for speakership

From page A1

41 Kampi representatives had promised to support Garcia.

The ruling coalition in the House is composed of Lakas-CMD, Kampi, the Nationalist People's Coalition, the Liberal Party-Lito Atienza group, Lakas ng Demokratikong Pilipino and the Partido Demokratiko Sosyalista ng Pilipinas.

Before the start of the campaign for the midterm elections, Kampi was accused of raiding the ranks of Lakas. In a number of areas, such as Pangasinan, Lakas and Kampi candidates competed against each other.

Supporters

A separate statement released by Villafuerte yesterday rattled off the names of lawmakers who purportedly support a new House leadership.

He said seven other representatives from Garcia's province were backing the Kampi campaign, including Antonio Cerilles of Lakas and [illegible] of Kampi.

Villafuerte said eight more lawmakers from Eastern Visayas, led by Martin Romualdez of Leyte, had promised to support Garcia. He said Antique Rep. Exequiel Javier had identified at least eight other supporters from Bicol.

Rep. Antonio Cerilles (NPC) promised to contribute his partymates to back the Kampi campaign against De Venecia, according to Villafuerte.

"This is just the beginning," the Kampi president said in a phone interview. "There will be more surprises. There will even be congressmen from the opposition who will support us."

Charter change

In making a pitch for a new Speaker, Villafuerte said "Chamber change—not Charter change—is the immediate chance at this time."

But Villafuerte would not categorically say if a Kampi leadership in the House would shelve efforts to amend the Constitution.

De Venecia, one of the prime movers of Charter change in the House, pushed for a constituent assembly (Con-Ass) after the signature campaign by Sigaw ng Bayan to amend the Constitution was defeated in the Supreme Court last year.

De Venecia abandoned Con-Ass only when the Catholic Church and other sectors vowed to stage nationwide protests against it.

In Con-Ass, members of the House and senators amend the Constitution.

"We don't want to distract the legislative process with the issue of Charter change at this time," Villafuerte said. "We just had an election."

Allocation of committees

In his statement, Villafuerte said a new House leadership would give priority to the following:

- Fair and equitable allocation of chairmanships and memberships in congressional committees.
- Formation of guidelines in the management of bills and resolutions in the committee and plenary sessions for an efficient movement of the legislative mill.
- Establishment of an arrangement with the Senate to ensure the passage of bills both for local and national applications.
- Workable mechanism with the opposition to ensure the reenactment of bills that were approved in the previous Congress but were not acted upon by the Senate.
- Activation of the Legislative-Executive Development Advisory Council (Ledac) to promote consensus in the passage of priority bills. Majority and minority parties will be represented in Ledac.
- Incentives for outstanding attendance and disincentives for absences by lawmakers.

'She's fearless, a perfectionist … and guys may be intimidated'

Padaca fears …

Dejavu

Passing the torch

'Jueteng' war

Padaca leading

Reaching out

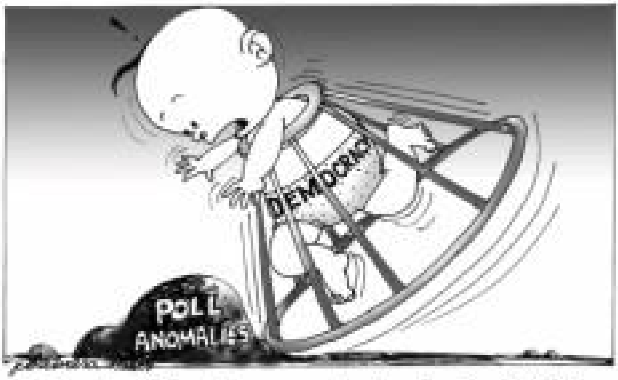
Lessons learned

INQUIRER

OPINION

Proclaiming Grace

EDITORIAL



Can the Comelec prevent cheating in 2010?

AS I SEE IT

Neal H. Cruz

Hero

THERE'S THE RUB

Conrado de Quiros

Gregory Ong

SOUNDING BOARD

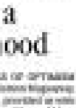
Fr. Joaquin G. Bernas, S.J.



Reflections on a flying brotherhood

REVEILLE

Ramon J. Farolan



Limbo 'closed'—doors opened

COMMENTARY

Anscario David Marcomba

Calabasa and the counting

THE LONG VIEW

Manuel L. Quezon III



Electoral revelations and goals

LETTERS

Cheers for Esperon and AFP

DepEd on 'delayed' teachers' benefits

Gag orders in VAWC cases violate intent of RA 9262

GMA warned of Marcos', Somoza's experience

Panay rebel group faces gun complaints

By Nestor P. Burgos Jr.
Inquirer Visayas

ILOILO CITY—POLICE AND MILITARY OFFICIALS IN WESTERN Visayas said they would file a formal complaint against the rebel group Revolutionary Proletarian Army-Alex Boncayao Brigade (RPA-ABB) before the peace pact monitoring committee for violations committed during the election period.

Voters cut reign of 2 political dynasties in Catanduanes

By Fernan Gianan
Inquirer Southern Luzon



BACK TO SCHOOL

Accept defeat, Leviste urges Ermita, son

Results

Bulacan has biggest number of child laborers—ILO

DENR, NGO want poll bets cited for using 25,000 trees for posters



On 3rd try, voting in town successful





Sulu teacher surfaces to testify on cheating



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Kiram places 2nd in Marawi; Legarda No. 1

Comelec, Namfrel tallies

Milestone

Aide says Madrigal paid for Trillanes' campaign ads

Silent majority

Without conditions



GMA starts state visits ...

Chartered flight

Status of Forces accord

Counter-terror training

Rome next

'Dragon lady' maids feared in Malaysia

Family disharmony

Low wages

Late SPORTS



RP five rips Malaysia, seals Fiba Asia deal

By Francis Ochoa

Asian cage stint consumes Seigle

By Francis Ochoa

A plus METRO



LAST DAYS OF SUMMER

Carol Jimenez not angry at husband Mark

CAROL CASTAÑEDA-JIMENEZ counted the days inside her cramped, windowless quarters by making marks on the wall, "like a prisoner."

25 families lose houses in fire

DID YOU KNOW

Citizen's call

Manila Water airs side

Motorists' headache

No need to repair road in Parañaque City



HEALTH HAZARD

Undisciplined drivers

Flyover needed

A Flores de Mayo for the young at heart

By Jeannette I. Andrade





Interpol needs Manila cops' help

By Allison W. Lopez

METROBRIEFS

Fire hits Pasay church

Health reforms, not impeachment

Many US employers see flaws in immigration bill

40 years after, poverty still dogs Australia's Aborigines



AN ABORIGINE performing ... AFP

WORLDBRIEFS

Ukraine's rival political leaders end bitter feud

Assad runs uncontested as Syrians vote



ASSAD

4 more genes linked to breast cancer

Venezuelans march against closure of TV station



The WORLD

Israel pushes bombing in Gaza, kills 5

JERUSALEM—ISRAEL BOMBED a series of Hamas facilities in Gaza on Saturday, killing at least five Palestinians and wounding six, and arrested another Palestinian Cabinet minister, Wasfi Kabaha, a member of Hamas, at his home in the occupied West Bank.



8 more US soldiers killed across Iraq



WHAT'S INSIDE

SPORTS

Editor Teddyvic S. Melendres Assistant Editor Francis T. J. Ochoa

Intrepid Espiritu a Victor again

WITH AN INFLAMED THROAT and an aching body ravaged by the flu, Victor Espiritu was having a hard time cycling over 60 kilometers in practice less than two weeks to the start of the 2007 Tanduay Padyak Pinoy.



MARATHON champion Espiritu raises his trophy flanked by runner-up Baler Ravina (left) and third placer Irish Valenzuela at the 2007 Padyak Pinoy awards rites at the Rajah Sulayman Plaza on Roxas Boulevard.

INTREPID A3

Beverage Masters eliminate Kitchen Specialists

Beermen fell reeling Kings

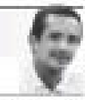
Phone Pals boost semifinal bid



Pacman five snaps Iligan victory run

Can the RP national team find its true name?

Bare Eye



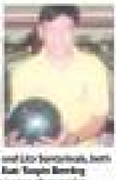
Recah Trinidad

Django, Orcollo sustain streak in winners' row

Heart patient outkicks field, captures 10K race

PERFECT GAMERS





Tamaraws oust Tigers, advance with Red Lions



Cebu clouters blank Makati

Orillana pitches 2-hitter



Pacquiao, Soto cross paths Wednesday

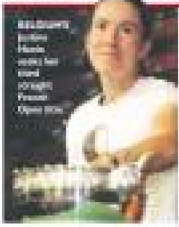
Intrepid Espiritu a Victor again



Verplank, 5 others share Colonial lead

SPORTS

England recalls US-bound Beckham

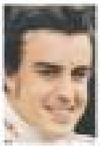


At 25, Henin feels old but still competitive



Jazz halt Spurs run

Alonso back in pole position



FERNANDO Alonso

World champs open bid in Makati 8-cocker today

RP ultimate tourney starts

EMPIRE KING RULES AGAIN



BUSINESS

Editor Raul O. Marcelo • Assistant Editor Corvic S. Narbe

Peso now 'uncomfortably strong'

Neda chief urges aid for country's battered export sector

THE PESO, WHICH LAST WEEK BROKE INTO THE 45:$1 level for the first time in nearly seven years, has become "uncomfortably strong," according to Socioeconomic Planning Secretary Romulo Neri.

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RP eyes slice of $188-B medical tourism pie

SPECIAL REPORT

CURRENCIES



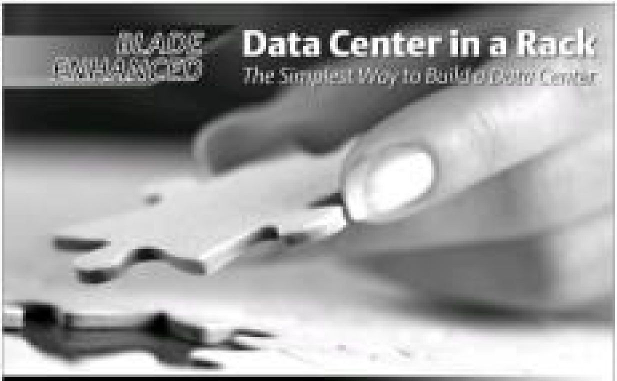
Market seen to take a break

Aging economies

No Free Lunch



Social security crisis



BSP rules out monetary tightening anytime soon

Monetary Board seen to keep policy rates in upcoming meet

By Doris C. Dumlao

PNOC Alternative Fuels gets new $1-B commitment

By Abigail L. Ho

ICTSI launches container booking online



No Free Lunch

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Family planning?

15 insurance firms up for suspension









Listed firms posted 27.5% growth in profit last year

Benefits from improving economic environment

By Elizabeth Sanchez-Lacson

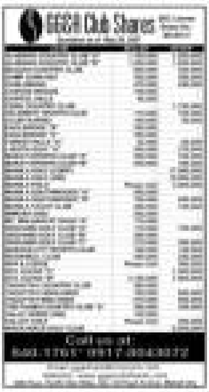
THE COMBINED NET INCOME of local firms listed on the Philippine Stock Exchange (PSE) grew 27.5 percent [illegible]

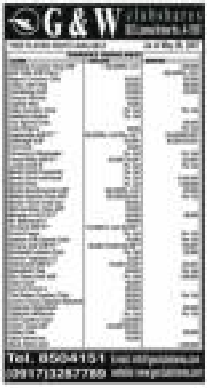
Sustained growth

New highs

Prospects good

All sectors up







US firm to put up $150-M ethanol plant

E-Cane Fuel's facility to start commercial operations in 2009

Subic shipbuilder clinches orders from Germany, Greece

FLI sets aside ₱16B for 3-year expansion plan

FDC profit up 952%

2nd Puregold convention set

BUSINESS

New rules on special deposit account mop up ₱100B in excess liquidity

SDA now a potent monetary tool

PAL completes e-ticket coverage



NZ seen as potential big market for RP fruits

Paxys to borrow $35M to pay old debt, fund expansion plan

Peso now ...

Market seen ...

Gov't seeks $57M in loan, grant

RP seeks slice of $188-B tourism pie



InfoTech

Text messaging is still king in Asia

By Abigail L. Ho



MOST mobile phone users prefer the SMS feature over sending e-mail

HP redefines inkjet printing with new technology

By Charles E. Buban



HP EDGELINE'S print head has over 10,000 nozzles

Ease of use



Global trade talks on goods seen blocked

Wall St. to strike cautious pose



China, US fail to solve trade disagreements



Wal-Mart CEO accused of ethics breach

If world has one interest rate, it looks too low, experts say

Tuna firms want gov't to define fishing grounds

Industry fears RP will lose vital access

Baguio moves to keep convention center

Dare to ask.





RP shipments to Japan up



BUSINESS Monday



The chips are coming

Magnetic stripe cards are on the way out



'Smart' card

Cheaper telecommunications

Using SMS for different corporate needs





Toward a more vibrant SME sector

MAPping the Future

Benigno N. Ricafort

The Philippine SME situation

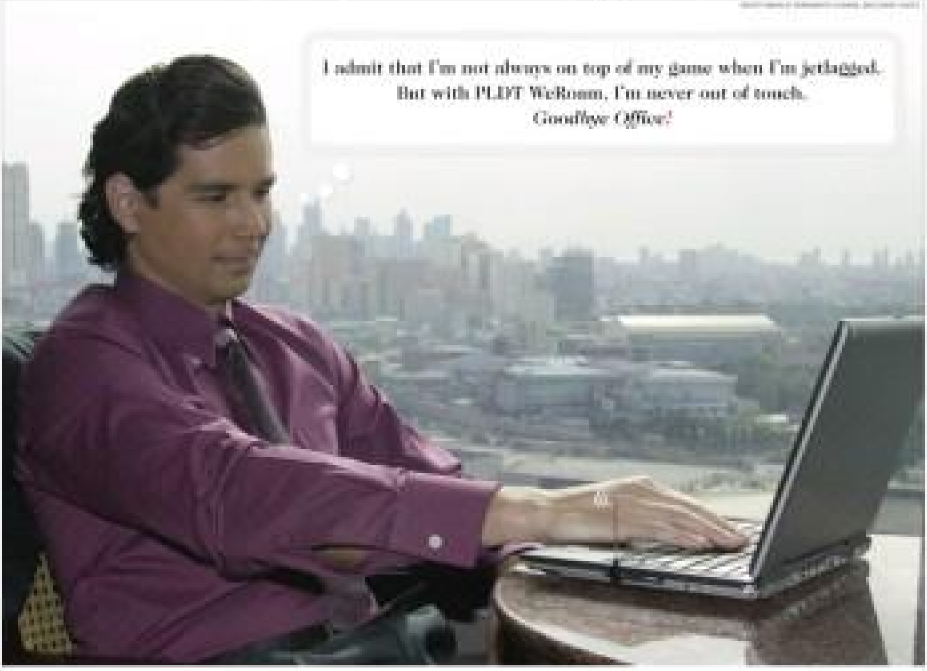
Accomplishments-results

Challenges and plans

RP shipments to Japan rise







LIFESTYLE



MONDAY ARTS & BOOKS ■ TUESDAY FITNESS ■ WEDNESDAY

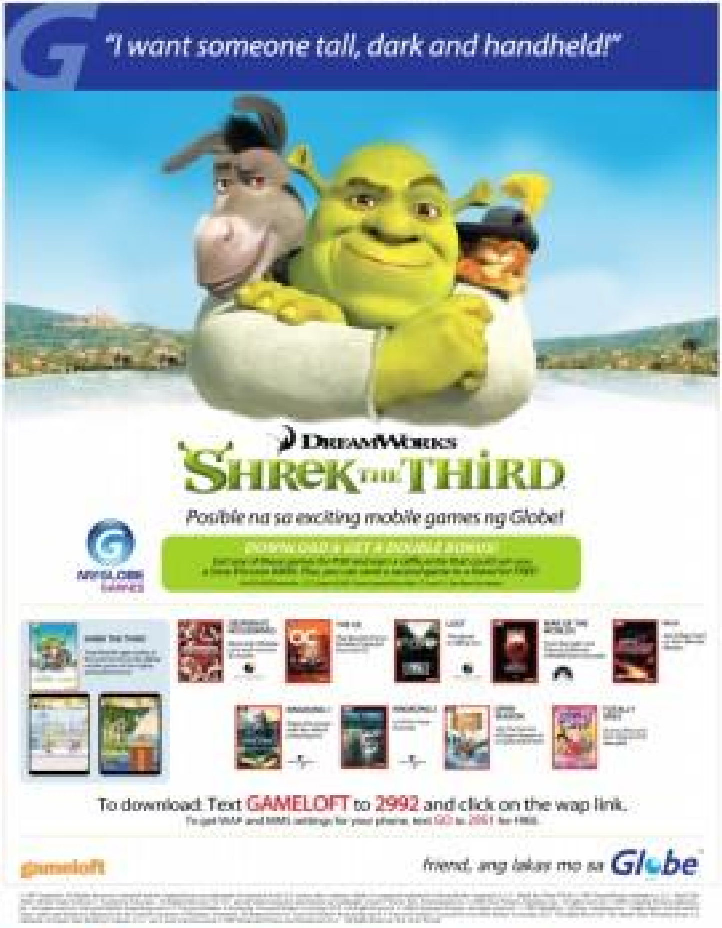


I was called a 'natural' because of my art skills. Which was a polite way of calling me 'ineducable.' Until Danny Dalena came along

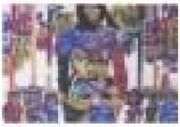




A short history of my art

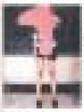






Visual Arts

Tuesday Group anniversary show





Bonsai exhibit postponed

Pinoy artists in Seattle



Antipolo arts fest

Donation to Lopez



Pride Of Place

Augusto Villalon

Touring people around 'ugly' Manila as a patriotic act

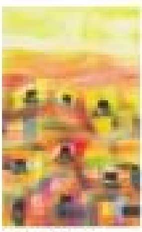






Heritage watch

Baldemor's 'Windows' in Singapore



"THE BROWN Race"



"COMMUNALITY"



A short history of my art

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Masters

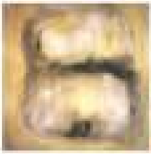
Sophisticated primitivist



"CAVE Dweller"



"BELLS"



"NUDE"



"CHAIR"





New Day titles off the press



LIFESTYLE



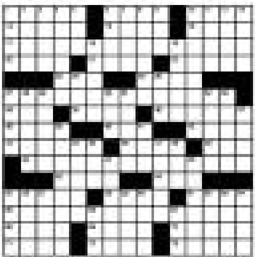


Romantic concertos from Aparri to Argao

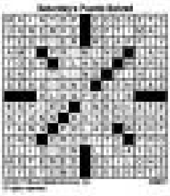




Daily Crossword



Saturday's Puzzle Solved



Horoscope

Conceptis Su Doku

Conceptis Sudoku by Dave Green

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Difficulty Level ★

HOW TO PLAY SU DOKU

Answer to previous puzzle

Romantic concertos . . .

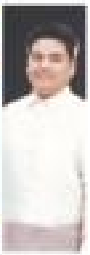
Pinoy wins international tilt

Salonga cum laude

Pandaquit festival



VIOLINIST Diomedes Saraza Jr. with Prof. Chin Kim of the Juilliard School



OLIVER Salonga, pianist

MSO plays Elgar

Poetry reading at Casa San Pablo



The Beauty of Hyundai. The Best of Hyundai.
Each one brilliant with its own sophisticated styling and impressive CRDi technology. That's the true beauty of Hyundai's vehicles shining through.
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Drive your way.
HYUNDAI

Entertainment



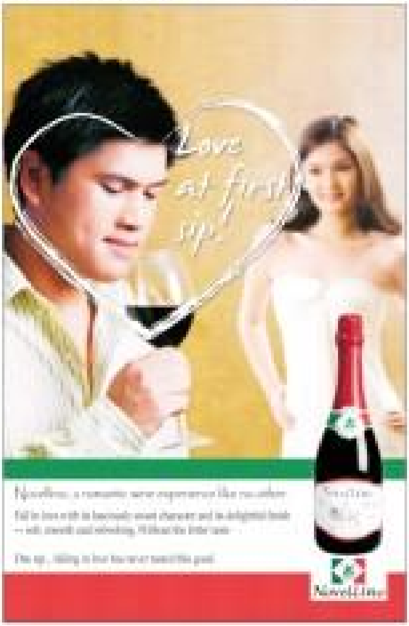
Before winning 'American Idol,' Jordin Sparks says, her life's high points were getting her driver's license and taking off her braces



Finale song 'spoke' to her

INQUIRER EXCLUSIVE

SHE WAS A DIE-HARD FAN of the show. Now she is the newly crowned "American Idol." For Jordin Sparks, this is nothing less than a dream come true.











Finale song 'spoke' to her

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Cocoy leads Laurels in CCP concert



AIZA SEGUERRA

Aiza as Gary Coleman

Back-to-back treat

SHOW TIME

Aguilera in Taguig

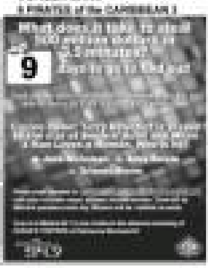


CHRISTINA AGUILERA

Destination: Bossa

Tonight





It seemed like a good idea at the time...

VIEWFINDER



Nestor C. Torre

[illegible]

Expensive flop

[illegible]

Clumsy striker

[illegible]

Summer release

[illegible]



TRY A LIL' TORTURE Joaquin Phoenix (L) and Eva Mendes arrive for a gala screening of James Gray's film "We Own The Night" at the 60th Cannes Film Festival on Friday. [illegible]



When jokes ...

[illegible]

But it's hip

[illegible]

Mighty faded

[illegible]

Roundup

'Heroes' premiere

[illegible]

'Wowowee' surprise

[illegible]



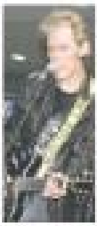
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'Iraq's Kill Zone'

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Rock legends reunite







'70s classics

Age doesn't matter





'SHREK THE THIRD'

When jokes are rehashed

Review

Weighed down

Mentor-free